

THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY  
OF THE CITY OF NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND  
HELD ON THE TENTH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2009.

The Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Newport, Rhode Island met in regular session at the Newport Housing Authority Administration Office, Newport, Rhode Island at 4:30 p.m. on September 10, 2009.

Roll call followed the Pledge of Allegiance:

PRESENT:	Chairperson	Jan Shapin
	Commissioner	Cheryl Abney
	"	Frank Coleman
	"	Frank McCauley
	"	Constance Vergowven
	"	Frank Landry

ABSENT:	Vice Chair	Rodney Bowley
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ALSO PRESENT: Attorney Joseph J. Nicholson, Jr.

The monthly meeting began with James Reed presenting the "Way to Go" Awards to eight youths for their drawings reflecting "What home means to me" poster contest sponsored by the Providence Housing Authority.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Landry, seconded by Commissioner Vergowven and unanimously carried the minutes of the regular monthly meeting held on August 13, 2009 were approved.

The monthly bills report was presented to the Commissioners.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Vergowven, seconded by Commissioner Abney, and unanimously carried, payment of the bills was approved.

The Secretary requested approval for payment for requisition #1 for Pezzuco Construction in the amount of \$98,362.00 for Park Holm Renovations.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Vergowven, seconded by Commissioner Abney, and unanimously carried, Payment #1 to Pezzuco Construction in the amount of \$98,362.00 was approved.

The Secretary submitted to the Commissioners the Consent Calendar items which included the Finance Reports, C.O.P. Report, Applications, Occupancy, August Collection/Loss Reports, Section 8 Report, HOPE VI & Development Report, and Resident Services.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Coleman, seconded by Commissioner McCauley, and unanimously carried, the Consent Calendar items were approved.

The Secretary presented to the Board an update regarding the Park Holm Master Plan:

- Relocation - The last two residents will be moved by 9/8/09.
- Construction - The contractor has started the demolition on the first three buildings and is making good progress.
- Section 3 Hiring - The contractor has hired one person and sent him to OSHA 10 training. The contractor hopes to hire a few more people as they expand their work into all the buildings.
- Neighborhood Services – Our strategic planning sub-committee (Jan, Frank, Cheryl, & Jim) met to develop thoughts, ideas and strategies for services to our residents starting with households in Park Holm. The initial effort will be to establish the Authority's "HSS" Program (Helping Student's Succeed).

The Secretary presented to the Board an update regarding the Newport Heights – Phase 4 Homeownership:

The first closing took place on Wednesday, September 2, 2009. The sold home is located at 10 Veteran's Circle. The home sold for \$155,000. The monthly land lease is \$50.00 The next closing is tentively planned within the next two weeks.

Commissioners' Request: (s)

The Secretary presented to the Board an updated list of the recently hired maintenance staff names and positions.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Coleman, seconded by Commissioner Vergowven, and unanimously carried, the Park Holm Master Plan, the Newport Heights Homeownership Update and the Commissioners Request were received as read.

Upon a motion by Commissioner McCauley, seconded by Commissioner Vergowven, and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.